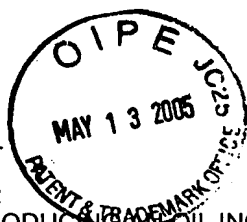


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REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated April 28, 2005, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.